

Application No. 10/647,684
Amendment dated March 15, 2005
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-18 (cancelled)

Claim 19 (new): C-extrusion (a hollow c-shaped cylindrical extrusion of material) having an empty interior cavity and ridges along entire inside surface.

Claim 20 (new): The ridges within the C-extrusion from end to end along the internal cavity of the C-extrusion.

Claim 21 (new): The C-extrusion is a hollow cylindrical tube is made of extruded aluminum.

Claim 22 (new): Slide brackets comprised of t-shaped extrusions of material with circular C-shaped bases with a single ridge on the bottom and a set screw on the top of the base.

Claim 23 (new): The adjustable aspect of the slide brackets wherein the slide brackets adjust sideways and slide through the entire length of the C-extrusion cavity.

Claim 24 (new): The adjustable aspect of the slide brackets wherein the slide brackets adjust up or down within the cavity of the C-extrusion.

Claim 25 (new): A single ridge on the base of the slide bracket for the purpose of retaining a particular position within the C-extrusion.

Claim 26 (new): The function of the setscrew within the base of the slide bracket to expand or contract the base and prevent or allow movement of the slide bracket.

Claim 27 (new): A setscrew through the C-shaped base of the slide bracket for the purpose of securing the slide bracket within the C-extrusion and along the ridges.

Claim 28 (new): The T-shape face of the slide bracket which enables the attachment of the rod holders and also other accessories which may be offered.

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Claim 29 (new): End pieces, a locking solid round bar in each end of C-extrusion of material.

Claim 30 (new): End pieces, locking solid round bar in each end of the C-extrusion as a means of attaching the C-extrusion to a mounting bracket, including a plurality of screws for fastening the end-piece to the ends of the C-extrusion.

Claim 31 (new): The dual adjustment feature of the locking end-piece where one flat screw in the end of the C-extrusion locks against the end-piece affixing the universal assembly in place up or down, and a set screw which locks the end-piece against the mounting bracket to further adjust the universal mount assembly up or down.

Claim 32 (new): The set screw in the end of the end-piece which locks the mounting bracket in a position up or down.

Claim 33 (new): The flat screw in the end of the C-extrusion which locks against the end-piece to adjust the universal mount assembly up or down.


Claim 34 (new): Mounting brackets comprised of flat segments of material bending along a line into two planes perpendicular to each other resulting in an L-shape when viewed head on for the purpose of securing the C-extrusion to an auto or marine vehicle.

Claim 35 (new): The method of attaching the mounting bracket to an end-piece for adjustment, i.e. a bracket affixed by a set screw to an end-piece (solid round bar).

Claim 36 (new): The locking aspect of the ridges inside the C-extrusion when the single ridge of the slide bracket is tightened against the C-extrusion ridges.

Claim 37 (new): The set screw mechanism in the base of the slide bracket which expands to tighten the single ridge of the slide bracket against the ridges of the C-extrusion.

Claim 38 (new): The function of the single ridge on the base of the slide bracket.


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